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SHIPYARDS BUILD NEW CRAFT;  
COMMUNICATION FACILITIES INCREASE

**NEW CRAFT BUILT IN DURRES SHIPYARD** -- Bashkimi, [Albanian] No 1406, 28 Jun 49

The main activity at the Durres shipyard, during the first quarter of 1949, was the construction of five vessels with a total capacity of about 1,210 tons. One, a new motor sailing vessel of about 500 tons, was 27.3 percent completed by the end of May. Work on it is continuing rapidly.

During the first quarter the shipyard installed an engine in the 300-ton motor sailing vessel Kongresi I-Re, completed the construction of two motor craft with a capacity of about 160 tons, and continued repairs on the 250-ton motor sailing vessel Dalip Tabaku. Repairs were also made on eight other vessels.

During the second quarter, work continued on the new motor sailing vessel, the Dalip Tabaku, four motor craft under repair, two barges, and one tug, the construction of five new ferry boats, and on the repair of 12 other vessels.

**THIRD ALBANIAN RAILROAD PROGRESSING WELL** -- Bashkimi, No 1399, 19 Jun 49

The construction of the Kashar Industrial Zone railroad, the third railroad in Albania, is continuing at top speed.

Between 3 May, when large-scale work on the railroad began, and 10 June, 3,600 kilometers of line had been laid out, while 2,970 kilometers remained to be done.

**NEW COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IN 1949** -- Bashkimi, No 1402, 23 Jun 49

Tirana -- This year 331 kilometers of new interurban telephone line will be strung in Albania, and the plan provides for the addition of 44 kilometers of telegraph wires to connect the Tepelene district with Gjirokastra and Kukës with Biscaj. During the year about 40 kilometers of new telephone line will be installed in the Fier-Valona district, and the Gjirokastra-Delvina-Sarande and

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Kukes-Shkoder telephone lines, totalling about 160 kilometers, as well as 2,040 kilometers of ordinary interurban lines. The ground and aerial telephone cables, about 10 kilometers long, is also to be extended this year.

The cost of all these projects is estimated at about 4,175,000 Lira.

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Work began, both on new lines and on the repair of old ones, during 1948. Thus far 44 kilometers of telephone line connecting the centers of the Shkoder, Gjirokastra, and Kukes-Biosj districts have been installed, while by 15 June, 50 percent of the work on the installation of the 40-kilometer telephone net in the Fier-Valona district had been done as 20 kilometers of line had been installed. The installation of this whole net is expected to be completed next month. This line will greatly improve telephone service, as at present the centers of the Valona and Fier district are the only points that have telephone lines.

Repair work on the various lines began on 1 June. Thus far 900 kilometers have been repaired.

Construction of the 331 kilometers of new line is scheduled to begin during the next quarter. These lines will connect ten local centers by telephone for the first time with the districts surrounding them, and with the copper mine at Krubica and the coal mine at Krrabe.

#### COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT MADE IN YUGOSLAVIA -- Rad, No 165, 13 Jul 49

The "Svetlost" enterprise, which has developed into a modern electrical equipment factory, is now serially producing various kinds of reflector equipment for ships, modern machine telegraph equipment, alarms, etc.

#### DANUBE WHARF BEING COMPLETED -- Rad, No 171, 20 Jul 49

A modern wharf, begun in March 1948, is now being completed at Vukovar. By the end of last year, 180 meters of breakwater and 100 meters of operational wharf had been built, and by the end of June 1949 the electrical equipment and transformer building had been installed. Meanwhile 72 meters of railroad track were laid, a net of high and low-tension wires was strung, and the construction of a large factory building is near completion.

Formerly, transportation from the lower Danube went exclusively to Belgrade. Now connections will be made via Vukovar with Croatia, Slovenia, Bosnia, and Herzegovina.

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